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1. A Communist infantry battalion of the 43 Army and an artillery company are on Inner Lingting Island (内伶仃). The majority of these troops speak Northern Chinese dialects. There are permanent military works and artillery bases with 6 x 150 mm guns on the hills of South Bay (南澳) and on the summit of North Bay (北澳). In the South Bay area there are 3 armed motor boats, 2 gunboats and 7 new motor junks. At East Bay (東澳) there is an office which buys and smuggles war materials and fuel from Ch'angchou (長洲), Hong Kong. Many food stuffs which are constantly shipped to the various islands are stored at South Bay.
2. A Communist battalion is on Laftsami Island (拉板屋). The troops wear insignias of the 6 Field Army and of the Pearl Sea (珠江). On the summit of a hill on the southeast of the island, there are 155mm guns and 3 x 82mm cannons. There are 4 armed motor boats, 5 gunboats, and 16 motor junks anchored around the island. A purchasing organ has been established on the northwest part of the island. This organ procures supplies from Taiao (大澳) and has a sign which reads "Canshan Office of Pearl Sea Command of the People's Navy in South China."
3. There is a company of the Kwangtung-Kwangsi Column on Jungshut'ou Island (橘树头). A motor junk and three junks are anchored to the southeast of the island. On the hills are installed three 82mm cannons.
4. About 50 Communist troops, speaking the Tungkuan and Pacan dialects, are on the Sanchiao (三角) and Ch'ingchou (青洲) Islands. They appear to be from the militia corps.
5. A company of troops from the Kwangtung-Kwangsi Column, wearing the Pearl Sea insignia, is on Tungao Island (東澳). These troops search and inspect vessels passing by the southern part of the Island. There are three red flags and one 12mm cannon on the hills.

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6. A company of the Kwangtung-Kwangsi Column nearing the Pearl Sea insignia is on Ch'uchou Island (珠洲), One gunboat is anchored nearby.
7. Outer Lingting Island (外伶仃) is garrisoned by a company of the 43 Army.
8. A battalion of the 43 Army is on Tankau Island (潭洲). There is a 150mm gun on the hill and 4 new motor junks and 2 gunboats on the sea. The troops on the island are in low spirits.

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